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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

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#### INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 6 per cent. " "

### LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.  
Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East,  
Hongkong, March 20, 1876.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,  
AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

CAPITAL, ... £800,000.  
RESERVE FUND, ... £110,000.

### BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.  
THE CITY BANK.  
THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.  
Local Bills discounted, and Interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Deposits for fixed periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

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#### FOR SALE.

TO CONTRACTORS, HOUSE-BUILDERS, SHIP-BUILDERS, AND CARPENTERS.

L. CRAWFORD & CO. have received a Shipment of FIRST-CLASS MANILA HARDWOOD, of Different Kinds, and of the Very Best Quality, Suitable for HOUSE BUILDING, SHIP BUILDING, and for all kinds of Work requiring Timber of the most durable nature.

#### ALSO—

A Good Assortment of Logs and Planks of TEAK WOOD of the most Superior Quality.

L. CRAWFORD & CO.  
Hongkong, July 18, 1877.

#### FOR SALE.

C. H. A. M. P. A. G. N. E. 1874,  
HEIDSEICK & CO./  
MONOPOLE.  
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Hongkong, August 1, 1877.

#### FOR SALE.

A SMALL Twin Screw STEAM LAUNCH, 35 Feet Long, Built by FORREST of LONDON. For further particulars apply to Captain CLARK, on Board British Barque *NEWTON*.  
Hongkong, July 9, 1877.

## For Sale.

SAYLE & CO.  
SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE.

ON and after MONDAY, August 13th, we shall offer the remaining portion of our SUMMER STOCK at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

A few pieces of SOILED SILKS MARK-ED, less than Lining Prices, 20 Cents per Yard.

A nice Assortment of NEW FANCY DRESS SILKS, at 75 Cents per Yard.

Japanese POLYLINS, at 25 Cents per Yard.

New White WASHING DRESS GOODS, 15 Cents, worth double.

New Colours PLAIN ORGANI MUSLINS, 25 Cents per Yard.

Figured and Striped MUSLINS, 15 Cents per Yard.

White Striped MUSLINS, Slightly Soiled—were 45 Cents, will be sold at 15 Cents per Yard.

Batiste, French Printed CAMBRICS, Hollands and Dress Laces much reduced.

Fancy Striped GRENAINES at about Half Price.

We shall include in this Extraordinary Sale a few pieces of AUTUMN DRESS GOODS at a proportionate reduction.

WASHING COSTUMES, ready-made, from \$20.00.

Richly Embroidered HOLLAND and other COSTUMES, from \$3.00.

A part of our Stock of Baby-Linen and Ladies' UNDERCLOTHING will be very much reduced.

BOY'S SUITS at about Half Price.

100 Doz. Ladies' Hem-stitched HAND-KERCHIEFS, some Slightly Soiled worth buying.

Linen COLLARS and CUFFS, FICHUS, &c., must be cleared.

A Lot of Ladies' Soiled KID BOOTS, will be sold at \$1.00 per Pair.

Several Thousand Yards of ODDS and ENDS, and various useful Remnants at Half usual Price.

A Lot of various Colours and Sorts of SILK and other TRIMMINGS at a quarter of original price.

Twenty-five Dozen of Ladies' SILK UMBRELLAS, at \$2.00 each.

DRESS-MAKING and MILLINERY will be carried on as usual.

Much disappointment to many intending Buyers was caused through the closing of last Summer's Sale without published notice.

We now beg to notify—this Sale will positively close on September 1st, 1877.

SAYLE & CO.,  
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,  
and Stanley Street, Hongkong.

## FOR SALE.

CUTLER, PALMER & CO.'s  
Celebrated  
Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

Apply to

SIEMSEN & CO.  
Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

## NOW READ Y.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I., A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tübingen.

Price: Two DOLLARS AND A HALF.  
To be had from MESSRS LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Hongkong and Shanghai; and MESSRS KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

## NOTICES OF FIRMS.

O. & O. S. S. CO.

### NOTICE.

M. R. H. M. BLANCHARD is authorized to sign the Company's Bills of Lading, vice Mr. G. W. BAFFY.

GEO. B. EMORY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, August 7, 1877.

### NOTICE.

M. R. EDWARD BURKE will conduct the business of my office, during my temporary absence from the colony.

R. H. CAIRNS,  
Surveyor to Local Offices,  
and Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, March 17, 1877.

### NOTICE.

FROM this date Mr. EDWARD SHEPPARD and Mr. M. W. GEIGE, are authorized to sign the name of our firm per Procuration at Foochow, and Mr. F. E. ELWELL at Amoy.

RUSSELL & CO.,

China, June 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

M. R. F. C. DITTMER is authorized to sign our firm per Procuration.

SANDER & CO.

Hongkong, June 23, 1877.

### NOTICE.

A COLOURED WOMAN, Widow, speaking English, Portuguese, and Chinese, desires employment as LADY'S MAID or NURSE. Good references. Address G. S., care of China Mail Office.

Hongkong, August 9, 1877.

### NOTICE.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG.

Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.

Hongkong, July 13, 1877.

### NOTICE.

BIRLEY & CO., Agents.

### NOTICE.

THE UNION MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Undersigned having been Appointed AGENTS of the above Company at HONGKONG and FOOCHOW, are prepared to accept Risks and Issue Policies by any First-Class Steamer, at current rates, payable either here in London, in Liverpool, or at the principal Ports of INDIA and the EAST.

BIRLEY & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, May 31, 1877.

### NOTICE.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Spanish Steamship

"MAGTAN"

will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

A. MAG. HEATON,

Agent.

Hongkong, August 8, 1877.

### NOTICE.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Spanish Steamship

"LETIE"

will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

A. MAG. HEATON,

Agent.

Hongkong, August 8, 1877.

### NOTICE.

FOR LONDON.

The 4 1 British Barque

"BON ACCORD"

W. Scott, Master, will have

quick despatch at above.

For Freight, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

Hongkong, August 1, 1877.

## Intimations.

DEVOE'S BRILLIANT  
OIL.  
RELIABLE,  
ECONOMICAL,  
SAFE!!

DESIRING to benefit by the world-wide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our packages. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS AND PURCHASERS of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOE'S BRILLIANT" are stencilled on the cases, and the words "DEVOE MFG CO. PATENTS" are stamped on the top of the can.

THE DEVOE MANUFACTURING CO., 80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets,

[y11] NEW YORK, U.S.A.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1876.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profits to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be

## Mails.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,  
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ,  
ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,  
AND MARSEILLES;  
Also,  
PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CAL-  
CUTTA AND BOMBAY.

ON SATURDAY, the 18th August, 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *DJEMNAH*, Commandant CHAMPEENOIS, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 17th August, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DU POUEY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, August 7, 1877. aul8

Occidental & Oriental Steam-  
ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND  
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED  
STATES AND EUROPE,  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
CENTRAL

and  
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING  
RAILROAD COMPANIES  
AND  
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be de-  
spatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd August, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with  
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until  
4 p.m. of the 21st August. PARCEL  
PACKAGES will be received at the Office  
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages  
should be marked to address in full; value  
of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6  
months are issued at a reduction of 20 per  
cent on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight  
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, August 7, 1877. aul2



STEAM FOR  
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,  
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,  
Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean  
Ports, Southampton,  
and London,  
Also,  
Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and  
Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship  
*HINDOSTAN*, Captain ROSELL, will  
leave this on SATURDAY, the 25th  
August, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to  
A. LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, August 13, 1877. aul25

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA  
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING  
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer *CHINA* will  
be despatched for San Francisco, via  
Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 8th  
Instant, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers  
and Freight, for Japan, the United States,  
and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills  
of Lading are issued for transportation to  
Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San  
Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and  
South America, and to New York and  
Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer will leave Shanghai, via the Inland seas  
Ports, about same date, and make close  
connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection  
of various lines of Steamers to England,  
France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until  
4 p.m., 29th Instant. Parcel Packages  
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.  
same day; all Parcel Packages should be  
marked to address in full; value of same  
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overseas  
Cargo should be sent to the Company's  
Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the  
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For security's sake, Shippers of Overseas  
Cargo are requested to endorse on the  
Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages  
Shipped, to correspond with those in their  
Bills of Lading.

For further information as to Passage  
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 13, 1877. aul30

## Notices to Consignees.

occidental & oriental s. s.  
COMPANY.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by Steamship  
*OCEANIC* are hereby notified that  
their Goods are being landed and stored at  
their risk in the Company's Godowns at  
West Point, from whence delivery can be  
obtained upon countersignature of Bills of  
Lading.

Consignees will be required to sign a  
General Average Bond at the Office of the  
Company, before taking delivery of their  
Goods.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 16th  
Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. B. EMORY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, August 9, 1877. aul16

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. & O. S. N. Co., S. S. MONGOLIA  
AND PESHAWUR.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-  
named Vessels, from London, Bombay and  
Intermediate Ports, and in connection  
with the Steamer *AUSTRALIA* from Cal-  
cutta, are hereby informed that their Goods  
are being landed and stored at their risk in  
the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence  
delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 17th Instant  
will be subject to rent.

ADAM LIND,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, August 10, 1877. aul17

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRITISH SHIP KHEDIVE,  
FROM ANTWERP.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by above-named  
Vessel are requested to send in their  
Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for  
countersignature, and to take immediate  
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the  
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-  
signee's risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, August 10, 1877. aul17

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Burman* having arrived, Con-  
signees of Cargo by her are hereby  
informed that their Goods are being landed  
at their risk and stored in the Godowns of  
the Undersigned, whence delivery may be  
obtained.

Consignees wishing to take delivery of  
their Goods from the Boats alongside the  
Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 20th  
Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Goods will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary is given before Noon To-day, the 13th Inst.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, August 13, 1877. aul20

GERMAN STEAMER CASSANDRA,  
LANGE, Master, FROM LONDON via  
SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above  
Steamer are hereby informed that their  
Goods are being landed and stored at  
their risk in the Godowns of the  
Undersigned, from whence delivery may be  
obtained.

Consignees wishing to take delivery of  
their Goods from the Boats alongside the  
Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 20th  
Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary is given before 6 o'clock  
To-day.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

WM. PUSTAU & CO.,  
Agents, S. S. Cassandra.

Hongkong, August 13, 1877. aul20

GERMAN BARK ADOLPH, FROM  
HAMBURG.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above  
named Vessel are hereby requested to  
send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned  
for countersignature, and to take immediate  
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the  
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-  
signee's risk and expense.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, August 8, 1877.

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Owners will be Responsible for any  
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew  
of the following Vessels, during their stay  
in Hongkong Harbour:—

MATCHES, American ship, Capt. John  
C. DAWES.—Douglas Laprade & Co.

JALO, Russian ship, Capt. C. F. Moberg.—  
Order.

ALPHINGTON, British barque, Captain G.  
Cunningham.—Wield & Co.

ANTWERP, British barque, Capt. Atkins.—  
Melchers & Co.

NORTHERN STAR, British barque, Captain  
John Wortley.—Order.

TWILIGHT, British barque, Capt. Dalgary.—  
Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PENSHAW, British barque, Captain John  
S. Atrey.—Mayer & Co.

NIRION, British barque, Capt. Clark.—  
Captain.

PICHLIT, American ship, Capt. F. Foulis.—  
Order.

SCINDIA, British ship, Capt. Lightbody.—  
Russell & Co.

FORMOSA, German 3-m. schooner, Capt.  
C. Schwer.—Melchers & Co.

SARAGEN, British ship, Captain Le  
Bœuf.—Captain.

ULIOUS, British barque, Captain A. P.  
Goodman.—Barneby & Co.

For further information as to Passage  
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 13, 1877. aul30

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR NINGPO & SHANGHAI.

The Steamship  
"AMOY"

G. H. DREWES, Master, will be  
despatched for the above Ports  
TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIEMSEN & Co.  
Hongkong, August 5, 1877. aul16

FOR HUHOU.

The Steamship  
"OLYMPIA"

NAGEL, Master, will be de-  
spatched for the above Port  
on FRIDAY, the 17th instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIEMSEN & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, August 15, 1877. aul17

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"TIGRE"

Comte De Girard, will be de-  
spatched for YOKOHAMA  
shortly after the arrival of the next French  
Mail.

H. DU POUEY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, August 15, 1877. aul17

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"TIGRE"

Comte Lornier, will be de-  
spatched for SHANGHAI  
shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POUEY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, August 15, 1877. aul17

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"TIGRE"

Comte Lornier, will be de-  
spatched for SHANGHAI  
shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POUEY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, August 15, 1877. aul17

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"TIGRE"

Comte Lornier, will be de-  
spatched for SHANGHAI  
shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POUEY,  
Agent.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE EXAMINERS EXAMINED.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, August 15, 1877.

serves to emigrate, which is likely to prevent the fruition of the scheme of the South Australian Government to induce the settlement in their land of Japanese colonists. This unwillingness would not be removed by a change of Government; nor indeed is it advisable that it should. At present, and for years to come, this country has plenty of occupation for her own population in the development of her own resources, many of which are as thoroughly latent at this day as are those of any of the Australian colonies, and can offer as large a field in their working and development as can be offered by any country of the world.

The seven German sailors, who have been detained in custody on board the *Elizabeth* on suspicion of being implicated in the attack upon the *Atalante* on the 4th June last, which resulted in the death of one of the Frenchmen, are to be sent to Germany for trial. The German gun-vessel *Cyclop*, having the accused men on board, left yesterday afternoon (Aug. 5th) for Shanghai, where the prisoners will be put on board a German steamer for transport to their own country.

The *Montgomeryshire* assumed the flag of the *Mitsui Bishi* Company at noon to-day (Aug. 7th) and has been re-named the *Akitsu-shima Maru*. Captain E. W. Ward, who for two years commanded the *Yokai Maru*, belonging to the same company, has been appointed to the command. She will leave for Shimogawa on the 9th instant, to load with general cargo for Kobe, for which port she will leave about the 11th. The King *Richard* will be handed over to the *Mitsui Bishi* Company in a few days.

## THE HONGKONG &amp; WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY.

Report of the Board of Directors to the Ordinary half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders, to be held at the offices of the Company, Club Chambers, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 22nd August, 1877, at 3 o'clock, p.m. —

GENTLEMEN.—The Directors have now to submit to you their half-yearly Report with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June last.

During the period under review there have been more vessels docked and repaired than in the previous six months, the tonnage amounting to 39,614, against 30,103. The work has been done at exceedingly low rates however, but still the profit has been fair, and the result of the half year would have been more satisfactory had an unfortunate claim under the contract made in May, 1874, for building the steamer *Lipa* not been decided against the Company, the claim amounting to \$4,444.52; and the sum of \$1,403.75, part cost of a boundary wall and an extension of the Boller Shed at Kowloon, have been paid out of earnings.

The gross receipts of the Company amount to \$202,765.20, and the net profit to \$38,711.80 to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account..... 10,744.46

making available..... \$44,456.35 from which has to be deducted:— Bonus to Contributing Shareholders..... \$2,000 Directors' fees..... 2,500.00 Auditors' fees..... 250.00

4,750.00

439,706.35

The Directors recommend that no dividend be declared, but that \$25,000 be paid in the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company in reduction of loan, and the balance \$14,706.35 carried forward to next account. The sum of \$40,000, has been received from the Chinese Government on account of the Whampoa Docks, and they have still \$40,000 to pay. The amount received and the \$15,000 appropriated at last meeting have been paid in reduction of loan, and the debt now stands at \$35,000, but will shortly be reduced to \$30,000, by the balance due from the Chinese Government and if the appropriation of \$25,000 out of present profits be sanctioned by the Shareholders.

W. KESWICK,  
Chairman.

## Amoy.

Arrivals.—August 11, *Halloong* from Hongkong and *Swatow*, and *Taiwan* from *Tamsui*.

Departures.—August 9, *Chefoo* for Shanghai, *Aluta* for *Tamau*; 10, *Cheang Hock Kian* for Singapore and *Penang*, *Malon* for *Newchwang*, and *Retreiver* for *Foochow*.

Shipping in Port.—*Candace*, *China*, *Consolation*, *Constance*, *Forget Me Not*, *Fugitive*, *Hadda*, *Harriet Armitage*, *Maxima*, *Rebecca*, and *Rubicon*.

Police Intelligence.  
(Before James Russell, Esq.)

August 15, 1877.

## DESTITUTION.—THE "MATCHLESS" AGAIN.

Charles Luke, a native of China dressed in European costume and cook on board the American ship *Matchless*, was charged with desertion from his ship.

Mr. Breerton appeared for the defence.

F. C. Wm. Dickinson, No. 2, stated that about 20 minutes to 1 p.m. to-day, he was sent by Inspector Mackie to arrest the defendant on a requisition from the U. S. Consulate for desertion. He went to the Charge Room and found the Capt. Mr. J. C. Dawes there. The Capt. said he believed the defendant was in Mr. Breerton's office, and accompanied him to look for the defendant. As witness was walking along Queen's Road he saw the defendant and another man standing in the hall of Mr. Breerton's office. The defendant did not deny who he was and was taken to the Station. He did not attempt to escape.

Capt. J. C. Dawes, master of the American ship *Matchless*, stated that the defendant was a native of China and was cook on board. He joined at Cardiff and was on the articles of the ship, receiving \$3 a month wages. The ship had cleared for New York and witness was to have sailed at 1 p.m. to-day. He charged the defendant with desertion. The defendant had permission to see the Consul at 8 a.m. and was to have come back at 12 o'clock. He wanted his discharge, but witness would not give it to him. He did not return to his ship at 12 o'clock. His effects were still on board at 6 o'clock last night. Wit-

ness reported him to-day at 12 at the U. S. Consulate as being a deserter. He had received a letter from Mr. Breerton before he reported the desertion. He wanted the defendant to be on board in order to proceed to sea at once. The vessel had been in port for 55 days. He believed the defendant had been to see the Consul.

Mr. Breerton:—The defendant now received \$120 from him for wages. He believed the defendant was shipped about the end of January or beginning of February. He had paid the prisoner about \$18. He called on Mr. Breerton this morning after he got the letter, and was told by Mr. Breerton that he was taking means to stop his ship or himself. He replied that he could have the man arrested as a deserter. He then went to the Consulate and charged him with desertion. There was a Chinese steward on board and was discharged here. The defendant was absent without permission. He had no reason to believe that proceedings were taken against him until he received Mr. Breerton's letter.

To the Court:—He had never refused to pay the defendant his wages which were owing. Witness had never asked him to give him his wages until he arrived at the U. S. Consulate.

Mr. Breerton then urged that his client had a claim for wages against the Captain, and that he had been put off from day to day until the last moment when the defendant sought Mr. Breerton's advice. A letter of demand was sent, and the Captain then had the defendant arrested for desertion. The defendant was engaged for the voyage from Cardiff to Hongkong, and was entitled to his discharge.

The Magistrate said there was nothing to show that engagement, and there was a fact which he must take judicial notice of that when an American seaman had discharged at a foreign port, the Captain had to give three months' extra wages. Moreover, the defendant had been before the Consul, and the fact of the Consul certifying to the man being a deserter negatived the assertion that the defendant's engagement was only to Hongkong. His Worship had the evidence before him of the statement that the defendant was a deserter, 1 as such he must be sent on board.

Mr. Breerton said the defendant was now taking proceedings against the Captain in a civil action, and if he was sent on board, he would have no chance of prosecuting his claim. He would ask his Worship to stay putting the defendant on board until, say, to-morrow morning.

The Magistrate said he did not think he had the power.

Mr. Breerton urged that under the Ordinance, the Magistrate could order a seaman to be detained for a period not exceeding three months.

The Magistrate said that that provision referred only to cases where the vessel would not leave for some time, but here the ship was to proceed to sea at once and the defendant was wanted on board.

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In the ESTATE and EFFECTS of HO ASSEK, alias Ho In Kee, alias Ho FEE IN, late Partner and Manager of KIN NAM HONO, Hongkong, Deceased.

THE Deceased HO ASSEK died in Pang-po, Shun-tak District, near Canton, on 26th April, 1877. HO LEONG SHE, wife of said Deceased, has obtained Letters of Administration to the Estate; she being blind, has given power of attorney to WEI AKWANG, Comprador to the Chartered Mercantile Bank, to act for her in all matters respecting the above Estate.

Notice is hereby given, that all Persons having the CLAIMS against the Estate of HO ASSEK, late Partner and Manager of KIN NAM HONO, are requested to send in Particulars of same to the Undersigned in writing on or before the 31st October, 1877, otherwise no Claim shall be allowed.

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